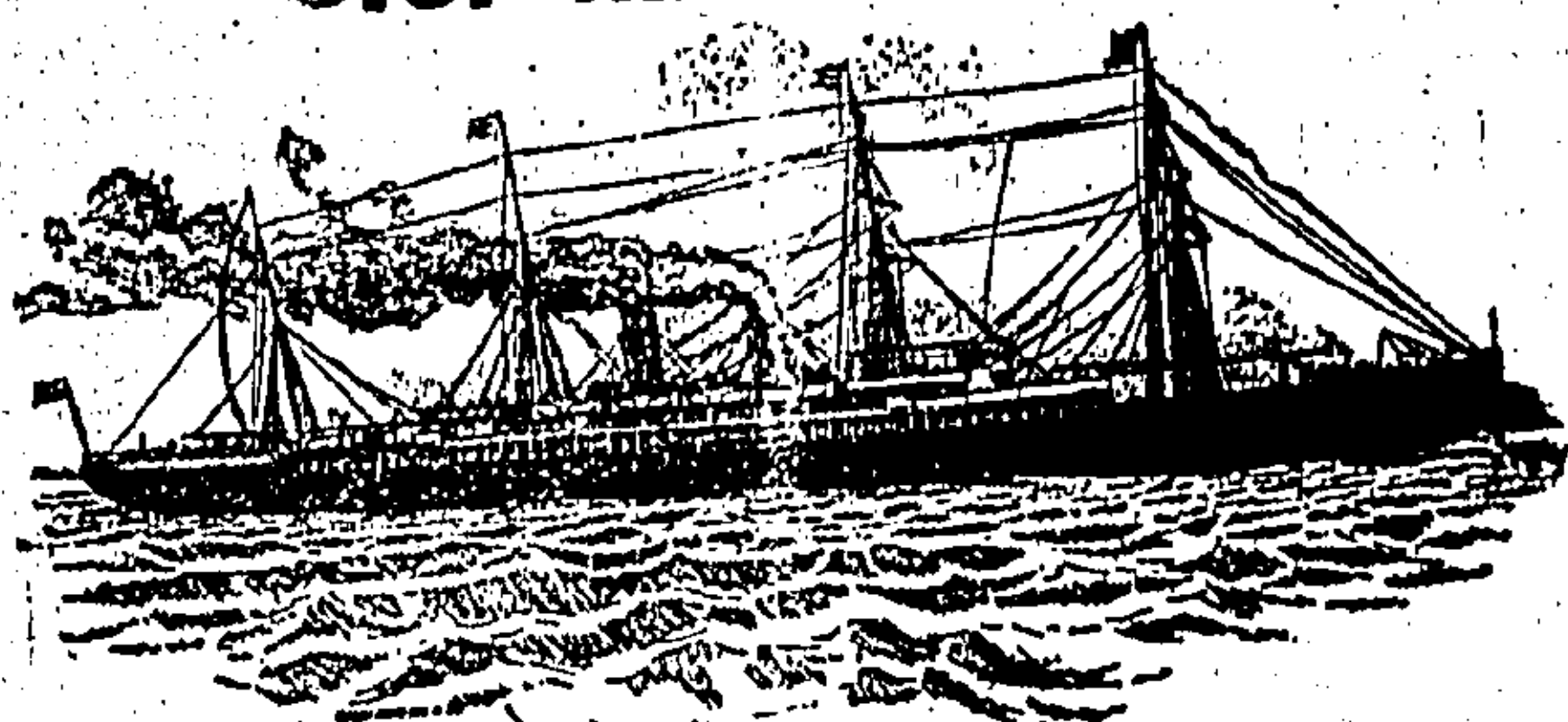


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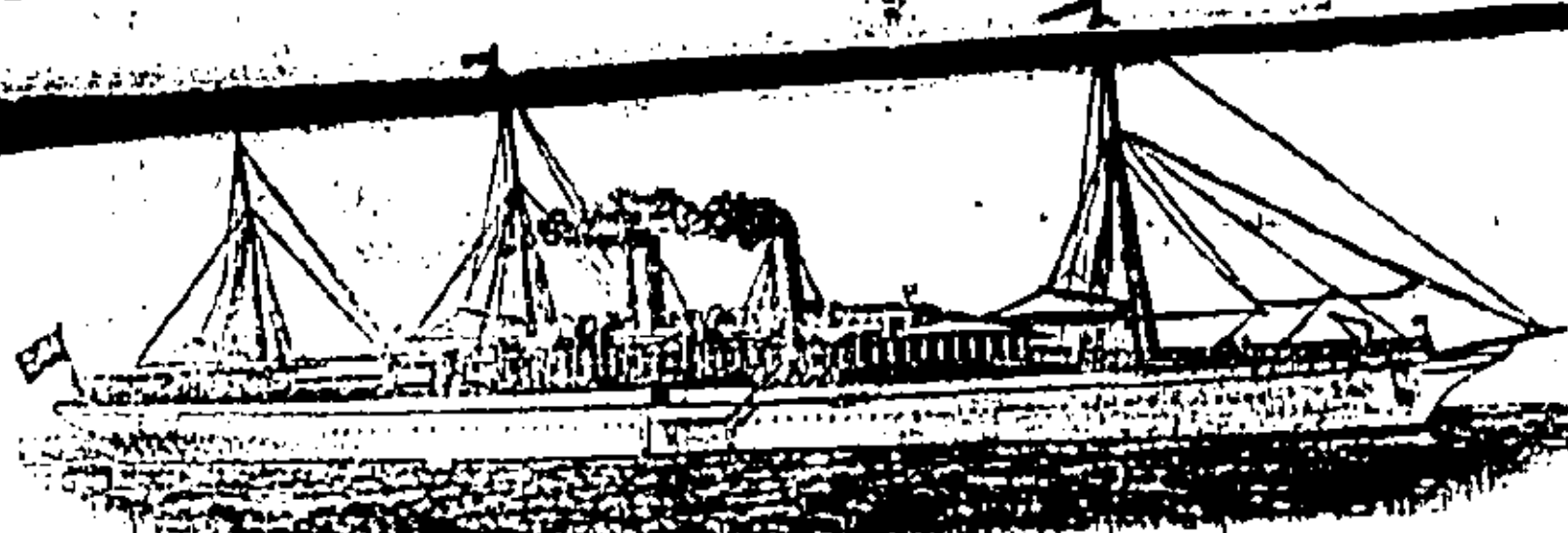
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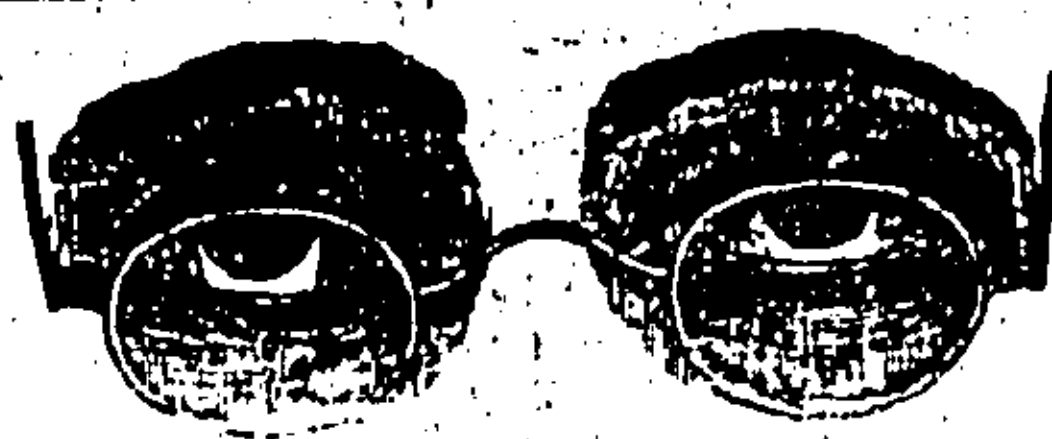
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But it is of more recent annals that most Englishmen think when they review the Portuguese army. The union of the two nations on the Peninsular battlefields is perhaps the most memorable episode in the story of their common action. An incident in the ceremonial of Portsmouth to-day can hardly fail to recall to those who cherish the traditions of the British Army some of the brightest memories of the past. The King of Portugal, before landing, to receive a deputation of officers from the Oxfordshire Light Infantry, of which regiment His Majesty is Colonel-in-Chief, the Oxfordshire Light Infantry represent the old 43rd and 52nd, which, as part of the Light Division, shared the fortunes of the indomitable Craufurd and they bear on their colours a long roll of Peninsular glories that range from Vimere to

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DEATH.

On the 14th instant, at Tanjong Katong, Singapore, PHILIP JOSEPH SETH, aged 60.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1904.

THE STATE OF RUSSIA.

While very few people outside Russia, and not very many within her borders, have even an approximately accurate knowledge of what goes on in that vast Empire, gleams of light frequently fall upon it and details are often gleaned of most important movements. Under the impression of defeat on the battlefield, journals at St. Petersburg and Moscow have for some time past been speaking out in favour of political reforms in a tone hitherto quite unusual in a country where the liberty of the Press is conspicuous by its absence. It is said that from the beginning of next year four new journals with a Liberal programme have been announced, and the Government, under actual circumstances, has not thought fit to withhold the necessary permission for their publication. The papers were clamouring for a change that would permit of organs of public opinion telling the real truth in straightforward language, instead of having to speak in charades and veiled allusions. In fact, there were many indications that a revival of public spirit was on the increase, and several journals of the Reactionary and Chauvinistic party are giving signs of an altered tone in presence of this more outspoken attitude of the progressive Press, and until a few days ago the dawn of a constitution seemed near at hand.

Representatives of the people have gone so far as to discuss a carefully prepared memorandum practically embodying a recommendation for a national representative body to have a share in the Government. A document was drawn up for presentation to the Emperor and signed by representatives of the best blood and thought of Russia. It set out the importance and necessity of the internal and external situation through which the country is passing, the hope was expressed that the Sovereign power would summon freely-elected representatives of the nation in order with their co-operation to obtain for the Fatherland an evolution of the State in the direction of establishing a new basis of law for mutual co-operation between the Imperial authority and the people. Although the general idea in Government circles and even of many of the members who participated in the framing of the memorial was that it would be unfavourable. Whether the Emperor endorsed the memorial or not, we do not know; but it certainly brought to his notice that, on the opinion of many of the best-informed in Russia, the present system of governing the people must, in the end, spell ruin or revolution. The Press, however, have been forbidden to refer to the subject and according to latest reports the hopes of those fighting for their country's good are doomed to disappointment.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The German mail of the 23rd November was delivered in London on the 21st inst.

MESSRS. S. J. David & Co., agents for the South British Fire and Marine Insurance Co., send us the firm's calendar for 1905.

AN evil-looking young Chinaman was found yesterday lurking in the dining-room of No. 9, Austin Avenue, Tsim Sha Tsui, a house occupied by a European family. He was evidently there for the purpose of committing a felony. When placed before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, at the Magistracy this morning, he was sent to three months' hard labour, and six hours in the stocks, and ordered to be sent into banishment.

AFTER waiting a twelvemonth for it a table has at last been placed for the special use of the Press in Mr. Gompertz's Court at the Magistracy. As this table has barely enough accommodation for three scribes, four being usually present, and the placing of it in the darkest corner of the Court, carries with it an order that the "representatives of the Press are to sit at that table only," we fail to see any advantage in this new departure.

CANTON AND WUCHOW STEAM-SHIP SERVICE.

A NEW ARRANGEMENT.

In connection with the running of the West River boats between Hongkong, Canton and Wuchow, a new arrangement has been made by the three companies most interested in the traffic, which should appeal to those who have occasion to make the trip. As is generally known, the three lines concerned, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, and the Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steam-boat Co., are amalgamated under the general name of the British West River Steam-boat Company, and for some considerable time the management of the passenger traffic has been in the hands of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire. It is now announced that from the beginning of next year the present managing firm will relinquish their duties, at least in so far as the first class passenger traffic is concerned and the position will be taken by the Hongkong-Macao Steamboat Company. In this connection, it may be noted that a new scheme of fares which will also come into operation on the 1st January next has been drawn up and as it will affect all passengers and may specially appeal to those who feel inclined for a trip up the West River, a few particulars of the new scheme may be given. It is proposed to issue tickets at Hongkong for Wuchow direct, available for thirty days at the price of \$30. Or the excursionist may proceed from Hongkong to Wuchow direct, remain there for a time, go on to Canton, spend a day or two there and finally return to Hongkong. In that case the tourist or business man will receive a ticket available for thirty days, at the cost of \$30. Intermediate fares will, of course, be in proportion to the amounts charged first class passengers. An excellent holiday, comparatively inexpensive, is provided in the round trip which is timed to last a week. The tripper will leave Hongkong for Canton where a day or so will be spent and time allowed for the principal sights of this typical Chinese city being viewed. Proceeding to Wuchow another short spell will be possible on shore. The journey back to Hongkong will be direct, so that within a week, at moderate cost, the traveller may enjoy a pleasant holiday.

ANOTHER REVOLTING CASE.

Last Monday we recorded, and with some satisfaction, that a bestial coolie had been that day sentenced to imprisonment for the term of his natural life, by the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Berkeley, for a crime that was deserving almost of capital punishment. It was a case in which a brute outraged the virtue and sanctity of a little innocent European child, but four years of age. Now within a few days another case of a similar nature has come before the Court, on its preliminary hearing, of which the details are even more revolting in all their bestial hideousness, and in which two young girls, aged six and twelve years respectively, are the victims. In this case the outrages of these children have not been single instances; but, as the evidence shows, have been systematic, the poor children being, as it is alleged, intimidated by their assailant from telling anyone what he had done, and was doing to them. In this instance, it was only the fact that the younger child grew ill from a terrible affliction that the whole affair was brought to light, and the incarceration of brutal bestiality secured and locked up, to take his trial. The younger victim is so ill that it is understood she may never get well again and, in any case, will suffer her whole life through. She is now under treatment in Hospital, but was carried to Court to give her evidence against her assailant, which she did clearly and straightforwardly, no longer being intimidated, but gently encouraged to tell the whole painful truth about this matter. These cases expose a lamentable state of affairs, as it reveals how much of this crime against children must be going on, when little European children can be intimidated into submitting to constantly recurring outrages, without ever breathing a word to their mothers or guardians as to what is happening to them. For the few that come to light how many hundreds may be daily occurring in our very midst. It is a terrible warning to parents who are accustomed to allowing their children to go out walking under the sole protection of careless amahs or irresponsible "boys," the former of whom may be daily seen in the children's evening resorts, neglecting their charges, to congregate themselves and chatter, as if for that alone are they there. This state of things cries aloud for remedy, and it can only be found in the passing of such laws providing for really adequate punishment of this sort of crime, as will act as real deterrent upon others. For what does a callous, sensual brute care for a term of imprisonment, however hard the labour? He has regular work; regular sleep, regular "chow," regular exercise, no responsibilities, his only loss being that of his personal liberty. Severe corporal punishment, periodically administered, and that publicly, starvation diet, and terms of solitary confinement at frequent intervals, with long sessions in the stocks, are some of the methods that might have a deterrent effect.

By an error in our last evening's issue we said Mr. T. Wilks was to proceed to the scene of the wreck of the *Shrewsbury*. We should have written Capt. Owen Wilks. It is somewhat curious to note that the *Daily Press* made exactly the same mistake in its issue of this morning.

TO-MORROW afternoon on the Happy Valley the Hongkong Football Club will play R. E. Kick-off at 4.45 p.m. The following will play for the Club:—F. H. Kew, goal; G. E. Morrell and W. G. Leckie, backs; H. C. Gray, R. Macpherson, and F. C. Hall, halves; A. O. Lang, W. B. Elwes, W. H. Williams, J. Clark, and H. L. Garrett, forwards.

THE MURDER IN THE HARBOUR.

The Chief Justice (Sir Henry S. Berkeley) took his seat on the Bench this morning at ten o'clock when the hearing of the last case in the criminal calendar for the present year of grace, namely, the charge of murder against three Europeans was commenced. The Court was fairly crowded when the case was called on.

THE PRISONERS.

The three prisoners Erik Hogmann, Charles Smith, and William Nason, none of whom appeared to realise the terrible seriousness of the situation, were indicted that on the 27th November last, within the waters of Victoria Harbour, feloniously, unlawfully, and of malice aforethought did kill and murder one Chun Yee.

Mr. Robert Lindblom was sworn in interpreter on behalf of Hogmann, who spoke Swedish.

They all pleaded not guilty, and the following jurors were sworn:—Messrs. C. H. W. Kew (foreman), S. J. Michael, T. Banks, C. G. S. Mackie, J. Johnstone, R. H. King, and G. Norton Smith.

The Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., prosecuted on behalf of the Crown, and the prisoners were defended respectively by the Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, C.M.G., (Smith), Mr. A. N. Ferrers (Hogmann), and Mr. H. G. Calthrop (Nason).

THE STORY OF THE CRIME.

The Attorney General opened the case briefly, and said that on the evening of Sunday, the 27th of last month, there was a fresh north-east wind blowing in the Harbour and the tide was running flood in a westerly direction. At about a quarter to nine at night a sampan was moored close to Pottinger's wharf, when the prisoners came along and hailed the same. The owner of the boat was standing on the quay, and inside the boat were the man's wife, his son aged 16, a daughter aged 13, and a boy and a girl aged, respectively, nine and four years. The accused told the owner of the boat that they wanted to go out to the *China*, and agreed to pay seventy cents for the trip. The boat was brought to the side of the Praya, and the three prisoners climbed down the mast into it, and then refused to allow the owner to come along with them. The elder boy was sitting in the bow of the boat and the woman with the *yuloh* in the stern, together with the other children. The accused started off on their own account, and Nason immediately crawled forward to where the boy was sitting. The other two opened proceedings by an attack on the woman and the girl, aged 13. What the nature of that struggle was, would never be known, as the woman was dead, and the girl had received such a shock that night that he was afraid her evidence would not help them a great deal. She was pushed into the well of the sampan with such violence that she was unconscious for a time, and on regaining consciousness was too frightened to look out to see what was going on. In the meantime Nason tackled the boy forward, and he seemed to have offered a very stout resistance. Nason it would be proved drew his knife, and although he did not inflict very serious injuries, yet the boy was struck on the head and cut on the ankle. Finally, Nason pushed the boy overboard, but he could swim, and after drifting a long way he succeeded in clinging to the rudder of a steamer from which position he was released by a sampan proceeding from the Harbour Office to Yaumati. The fighting, it would appear, continued, and as the woman was shouting out, Nason having got rid of the boy, came aft to assist in the attack on the woman and girl. After extinguishing the lights on the sampan he crammed a handkerchief in the woman's mouth, and she was thrown overboard, and the baby also, although at present they were only proceeding with the death of the woman. The prisoners now had the boat to themselves, excepting two of the children, and bringing it before the wind, they sailed out of the Harbour, and finally beached the boat at a village on Lantau Island. Next morning very early, the two surviving children found the boat was on the shore, and in fact breaking up on a rock. The children were taken charge of by the villagers, but the latter knowing nothing of the murder, the matter was not reported to the police for four days later. In the meantime, the prisoners appeared to have walked round the Island and on the Thursday arrived at a village close to Capatsum, where after obtaining some rice and tobacco, they attempted to steal a boat and get away. The fishermen, however, chased them and brought them back and later on the three were arrested by the police. Upon Hogmann was found a small mirror which had been stolen from the sampan. The bodies of the woman and child were afterwards washed ashore and identified. In conclusion Counsel said the prisoners, who had been in the Colony some months, and were described as sailors unemployed, belonged to a class which was gradually becoming a curse to the community. He did not propose at that stage to refer to legal authorities, but the law was perfectly clear concerning murder by several persons acting together. A true proposition of law was that where several persons joined together for an unlawful purpose, intending to resist such as might oppose them, were all guilty of murder if death should result in the prosecution of that purpose. There was, he thought, very little doubt, that the accused set out, with the purpose, shared by them all, of stealing this boat, and in the pursuit of that purpose determined to resist the crew to the utmost. This was what happened in the case of Peace, one of their greatest criminals. He was hanged for murder, and although he did not go out to murder, yet he went out intending to rob, and prepared to resist any opposition that might be brought before him.

THE EVIDENCE.

The owner of the sampan gave evidence as to the prisoners engaging the boat and then refusing to allow him to get on board, while the boy who was thrown overboard, spoke to seeing Hogmann and Smith attack his mother and sister, while Nason came up to him from behind, and pressed him down by placing both hands round his neck. Nason also bit him on

the head and drawing a small knife cut him on the foot. Nason then attempted an act of gross indecency, and failing threw witness overboard.

The small girl, aged 13, who seemed to be more or less bereft of her senses spoke to being knocked into the hold and rendered unconscious.

Two farmers who picked up the surviving children on the beach after the sampan stranded, deposed to finding marks of violence on the head and face of the girl.

At one o'clock the Court adjourned for luncheon.

On resuming, a fisherman from Samsukok spoke to seeing three Europeans come to his village. He identified Smith and Hogmann as two of the men. He gave them tobacco and rice. Afterwards they took a boat belonging to another fisherman and asked witness to take them over to the mainland.

Another witness corroborated, and with other men deposed to overtaking and recovering the boat and landing the men at Castle Peak. He could not identify any of the accused.

P.C. Edwards was called, and said that on the 3rd December, he found the dead body of a Chinese child some yards west of Kellett Island. He took the body to the police station where it was afterwards identified by the first witness as that of his child.

P.C. Bird said that, also some yards west of Kellett Island he found the dead body of a Chinese woman floating in the Harbour, which was also identified by the first witness as the body of his wife.

By Mr. Ferrers: The body was absolutely naked. He did not notice any marks of violence. The body was slightly decomposed.

Inspector Withers spoke to receiving the complaint at the Central Police Station from the first witness and the boy, and to subsequently going with them to see the dead bodies of the woman and child, which were identified.

Dr. Wm. Hunter deposed to making post-mortem examinations of the dead bodies. Both appeared to have been dead about a week, and in his opinion death was due to drowning. He noticed no mark of violence on the body of the woman.

Police Sergeant Kerr said that on the 3rd instant, he saw the three prisoners walking on the shore at Deep Bay, on the south side. In conjunction with a number of Indian constables they were arrested. They turned back when they saw him, but they did not try to get away.

Chief Detective Inspector Hanson said that in his opinion the wound on the boy's ankle was caused by a knife. Witness spoke to arranging seventeen European prisoners, including the three accused, when several of the native witnesses picked out one or other of the prisoners. The boy unhesitatingly picked out Nason as the man who threw him overboard, and his father identified Smith with equal confidence. Afterwards the accused were charged with murder at the Central Police Station, with murdering the woman, murdering the baby, and thirdly with attempting to murder the boy. Witness duly cautioned them, but all made voluntary statements. Smith denied having been in a boat on the night in question, and said that two days previously he set out from Kowloon in company with Nason and Hogmann to walk to Canton.

Witness was proceeding to give similar evidence in regard to Nason, when P.C. 11-22-1 said he objected to the testimony on the ground that the confession of one of the prisoners was not evidence against another who might be tried with him. The authority on which he relied was "Russell on Crime," volume 3, page 503.

Inspector Hanson, in reply to His Lordship, said the various statements were made separately by the prisoners, none of the others being present at the time.

His Lordship said his present view was, that subject to anything he might hear from Counsel for the defence, he should tell the jury that each man's admission, if it had to be regarded as an admission, was evidence against himself only.

The statement of Nason was to the effect that Smith suggested to him that they should get a boat and get away to Singapore. Hogmann afterwards joined in the project; they were to steal the boat—an empty one if possible. He confessed to going on board the sampan, it being their intention to tie up the people on the sampan and drop them on the mainland and steal the boat. He confessed to everything regarding his alleged attack on the boy, and also to what Smith and Hogmann did with the woman and the girl. Smith told him he had thrown the baby overboard, and thrown a girl down the hatch.

The statement of Hogmann was to the effect that their original intention was to throw the men overboard and let them swim ashore, then tie up the women and drop them on some island and afterwards make off South. Dealing with what happened in the sampan, he saw Smith throw the baby overboard, and hit the woman over the head with the tiller which he drew out of the rudder head.

Mr. Ferrers, prior to the adjournment, sought to set up the contention that Lindblom was not a proper interpreter, and spoke a different kind of Swedish to Hogmann, who was a native of Finland.

Inspector Hanson said he was the best they could get at that time of night. Witness understood Swedish fairly well himself, and only wrote down what the prisoner said.

Further examined by the Attorney General, witness said that when before the Magistrate, Hogmann said he was guilty of killing the woman, but he was not alone. He denied any connection with the other charges.

Sergeant Boyle of the Water Police, having been called to speak as to the shipping in the harbour on the night in question.

The Attorney General put in various statements made by the prisoners before the Magistrate.

Dr. Ho Kai repeated his objection as previously made.

This closed the case for the prosecution.

The Court adjourned at 4.45 p.m. until 10 a.m. to-morrow.

TELEGRAM.

THE WAR.

THIRTEEN GUNS CAPTURED

AT PORT ARTHUR.

Mr. M. Noma, Consul for Japan, has kindly forwarded to us the following telegram:—

Tokio, 21st Dec., 7.5 p.m.
The Port Arthur Army reports that our booty at the north fort of Tunkikwanshan consisted of four quick-firers, whereof two were usable; four machine-guns, all being usable; and five field-guns, under examination. Besides these, there were rifles, shells, ammunition, grenades, etc.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

THE FARNHAM BOYD CO.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

SIR,—In common with many others, I read with considerable interest the letter appearing in your issue of the 20th inst. on the Farnham, Boyd Co. It is by general consent pronounced to be a clever contribution on a momentous question greatly agitating the commercial community at Shanghai. Excellent though the letter be, one material point raised in the controversial letters in the Northern Press appears to have escaped the attention of your erudite contributor. It is in relation to the over-capitalization of the Co. On this head your readers would be glad if "Investing Shareholder" will give them the benefit of his views in public print. The *N. C. D. News* pointed out that the combined capital of the three companies before their amalgamation was Tls. 2,350,000. The amalgamation raised it to Tls. 5,520,000, on which sum the company paid for the last completed year a dividend of 12 per cent. Taking the market rate of the day at say, Tls. 160 per share that gives a total capital value to-day of Tls. 8,832,000; or, roughly, three-and-a-half times the original value. If the concern previous to its consolidation. Herein lies the crux of the question. Is the company, or is it not, "watered" in view of its earning powers, taking for the basis its average profits since the date of amalgamation? At first glance, the conclusion is forced upon the impartial observer that the Farnham, Boyd & Co. is "watered." Within my personal knowledge no industrial undertaking has appreciated in its intrinsic value three-and-a-half times over in four years and I should be glad to be informed of any that has shown so phenomenal an appreciation. That Farnham was watered when the market rate, by extraneous inflation, rose to Tls. 320 two years ago no one will dare attempt to gainsay. There have always been fools to rush in where angels fear to tread. The incautious speculator who gambled at the high rates of two years ago paid the price of their folly and should not be blamed for the lapse of memory that the stock was forced up by other than bona fide influences. They must be rueing the day when their indiscretion led them into the vortex of the whirlpool that sucked the savings of many a year of hard toil. It is to be hoped that no unrestrained "new chums" will spring up to try and make money all in a day; for, to profit by past experience, money-making is a plant of slow growth.

The tendency has been to read far too much between the lines and regard all the criticisms on the question of a public stock in the light of promptings by "bears" and "bulls." As for the Farnham Boyd Mr. Twentyman's scheme is undoubtedly one beneficial to present shareholders, whose scrip value of the day could be considered only as real if the scheme does become an accomplished fact.—Yours etc.,

GO SLOW.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. J. I. Plummer, Chief Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 22nd at 11.15 a.m. The barometer has risen throughout China, more particularly in the Yangtse valley, and has fallen over the Pacific and in southern Japan.

Gradients are becoming steeper upon the China Coast and strong N.E. monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and to the northward of it, with fresh monsoon in the northern part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Fresh N.E. winds, cloudy, fair.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

Indian (*Lalsang*) 26th inst.

American (*Coptic*) 26th inst.

French (*Australin*) 27th inst.

Canadian (*Tartar*) 28th inst.

Australian (*Taiwan*) 28th inst.

The Glen Line s.s. *Glenlogan* left Singapore this morning, and may be expected here on 28th inst.

The A. A. Co's s.s. *Mariopqua* from New York left Manila on 25th inst., and will be due here on 28th inst.

The C. P. R. Co's s.s. *Empire of Japan* arrived at Kobe at 10 p.m., on 20th inst., and left again at noon Wednesday, for Yokohama where she is due to arrive at 1 p.m., on 22nd inst.

The P. M. S. Co's s.s. *Korea* with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 3rd inst., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and leaves for this port to-morrow morning the 23rd inst., via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters.)

The Baltic Fleet.

LONDON, 20th December.

Four colliers for the Baltic fleet have arrived at Lourenço Marques.

Disturbances in Russia.

Further demonstrations were made in Moscow yesterday and there were several collisions with the police in which a few of the demonstrators were wounded.

LATER.

The North Sea Commission.

The Commission on the North Sea incident will meet in Paris on Thursday.

Lawlessness in Morocco.

The lawlessness in Morocco is getting worse. The Sultan has dismissed all Europeans and is reverting to ancient ways to ingratiate the people.

S.S. "PAUL BEAU" AND "CHARLES HARDOUN"

TO RESUME THEIR RUN.

After some four months of enforced idleness the s.s. *Paul Beau* and *Charles Hardoun* are about to resume their run from Hongkong to Canton, commencing with the *Paul Beau* which will leave for Canton on Tuesday, the 27th inst., starting from her old wharf at 10 o'clock that night, and being followed the next night by the *Charles Hardoun*. This new line will be run under the name of the "Compagnie Francaise de Navigation et des Constructions Navales," the head office of which is in Paris. A telegram was received in town this morning by Mr. L. Bridou, acting agent of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes, stating that his company had been appointed agents for the new line, and requesting him to take over the management, and start the steamers running without delay, at the old time-table dates, hence the *Paul Beau's* being commissioned to take up her run once more as above-mentioned. It will be remembered that these two steamers were built by the Compagnie Francaise de Navigation et des Constructions Navales at Paris, and sent out in the beginning of the year to a local agent, who was to take charge of them, and run them on joint account, he paying a certain monthly sum as purchase money for the vessels, until the whole of the money so due was fully paid up, when the steamers were to be turned over to him as his sole property. At the end of about six months, certain disputes arose between this agent and the owners in Paris, and the vessels ceased running, and were laid up in Canton. This dispute not being settled, the owners sent out a representative to investigate matters, and if necessary to take over charge of the vessels for which the purchase money had not been paid. The Messageries Maritimes then approached the owners with certain offers of terms for the agency to run these steamers, and in view of those terms being accepted the two vessels were brought back to Hongkong. Negotiations proceeded, and have now been brought to a successful issue as above related, and passengers and shippers alike are to be congratulated on the resumption of their old run by these two fine steamers, which have been fully described in these columns. The same firm have in contemplation a line from Canton to Wuchow, and as an initial start a small steamer is about to be built by them for this run. A further line touching at Macao may also later on be added to this firm's operations, but that is a matter still in the dim future of possibilities.

SHIPPING JETISAN.

The *Empress of China* has gone into dock. The Pacific mail liner *Manchuria*, which came in from San Francisco this morning, brought to the Orient a heavy cargo of freight, amounting to nearly 10,000 tons. One hundred and seventy-five saloon passengers were booked to sail by her the list including the popular Tom MacKay, passenger agent in the Far East for the Pacific mail and other steamship companies. Four hundred Chinese were to sail on her for China, the unusual number being accounted for at this time in view of the Chinese New Year, which calls many Celestials home. Three hundred Japanese were also to sail, most of them being destined for the war in Manchuria.

Mr. Frank E. Beadnell, late chief officer of the Occidental and Oriental steamer *Coptic*, has been appointed to command the liner, and is now on his way out from Liverpool to take charge of the steamer. He will succeed Captain Frank H. Armstrong, who died at Yokohama on November 20th of typhoid malaria, when the vessel was en route to Frisco from Hongkong.

News has been received that the Italian bark *Lothair*, Captain Schifano, put into Papete with the report that cholera was believed to be prevalent among the crew. The *Lothair* was bound from Hongkong to Callao, but put into Honolulu last summer, proceeding on August 21st for her destination.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s ensign is to be altered. At least the officials have the matter under consideration. For years Hongkong has seen the pretty swallow-tail flag with its bright red, white and blue stripes, fluttering at the mastheads of the noble steamers passing in and out of the harbour. Ships have gone down in the deep when death was aboard on the sea and the last thing to wave over the flare of the liner's tomb was the tricolour pennant of the Pacific Mail. But new designs have been ordered, and soon the old distinguishing mark of the fleet will be a thing as dim as a faded rainbow.

A PALATIAL RESIDENCE.

SIR PAUL CHATER'S MANSION.

ON CONDUIT ROAD.

Amid scenery which reminds the visitor now of the Trianons in mid-summer, and again of the leafy lanes of Richmond, built up on a beetling crag which has defied the clinging of Pompeii-like creepers, stands the mansion which has been erected for Sir Paul Chater, the *doyen* of Hongkong's merchant princes—a fitting abode for one who has given so liberally to all that was calculated to uphold the Colony's credit. From the centre of the city to the battlemented walls that encircle the building a steep and ever steeper mountain path has to be negotiated, but at every turn new natural beauties unfold themselves while here and there the busy harbour looking its best peeps through the tangle of trees and rocky buttresses. A mountain rivulet carols down a gorge, below the pathway, and in these bright days when an English spring morning seems to pale by contrast with Hongkong's clear atmosphere and bracing breezes, the ascent is wonderfully beautiful. An artist in colours would be charmed at every turn and winding of the path, and deem it in the end but a fitting prelude to the beauty of the mansion which crowns the hill.

A BEAUTIFUL SITE.

It is a common-place to say that Sir Paul Chater's new building is situated on one of the most beautiful spurs of the Hill District. Such a comment has been made so frequently and in respect of so many other buildings, when the facts have not altogether warranted the assertion, that it has lost its savour; but here is an instance when the charm of the surroundings cannot be gainsaid. In the depths lies Hongkong, enveloped sometimes in a gray transparent haze, but in the heights, the ever changing lights give new colours to every vista. The mansion itself stands out clear-cut and cameo-like on the crest, backed by a rugged hill which rises still higher till in the early morning the topmost crest of all is lost in mist.

INITIAL DIFFICULTIES.

A considerable time has passed since Sir Paul Chater first decided to erect a mansion on the heights, but innumerable natural difficulties had to be overcome before even the first germ of his idea could be clothed in solid form. The site was obtained, but it was far from being then the plateau into which it has now been converted. It was a rocky eminence, abounding in physical excrescences, difficult of access. Near by was a sort of reservoir or tank which must first be removed, and altogether it was no easy engineering work which confronted the architect. But stimulated by the author of the scheme, Messrs. Leigh and Orange, who were appointed the architects, succeeded in surmounting the numerous obstacles before them, and the result of their work, or rather achievement, is seen to-day in what will rank for many years, if not for aye, as the finest mansion ever built in the Colony. In Hongkong. Others may be led to emulate Sir Paul Chater in this matter, but theirs will be an uncommonly arduous task, which may not even at the finish realise their ambitions.

APPROACHING THE MANSION.

The mansion stands directly above the central business portion of Hongkong. In other words, it looks down upon the Clock Tower, whose dial can just be discerned through the trees, looking from the terrace of the residence. The building itself has been designed on classic lines, with a suggestion of the Renaissance in the stately colonnade which supports the verandahs. Approaching from the city, admission to the grounds is obtained through an ornamental gateway, heavy wrought-iron gates hung on massive piers, which are of somewhat medieval pattern. The iron scroll-work of the gates was specially designed by the architects and finished in England. A charming lodge will be found at the entrance and thence by a winding path to the main entrance. At present the untrained eye may consider that chaos reigns predominant, but when it is stated that the builders are confident they will be out of possession in February it will be recognised that the chaos is more apparent than real. Indeed, little now remains to be done, except the fixing of the final ornamental stone carvings, and leaving the ground to blossom in mountain ward.

THE ENTRANCE.

Looking at the building as a whole, one is struck by its stately proportions, and finely finished exterior. The porch, which is reached by curving steps at each side, stands out prominently from the structure. It is ornate, though by no means florid, in design, the archway being elaborately carved in stone. Corinthian columns stand on each side, and upon the pillars of the staircase rest Chinese lions, the work of Chinese sculptors at Foochow. From each side of the porch run long verandahs; slender columns rise from each floor, those on the first floor being known as detached Corinthian, while those above supporting the roof are called detached Ionic. The main columns are of Doric design. At the entrance leading to the vestibule the floor is done in mosaic, imported from England, while the verandah floor is laid out in a plain design arranged with tiles. It may here be stated that the main verandah is 125 feet long and about two feet wide; it goes right round the house and should prove a delightful place to rest in on a hot summer evening.

"THE MARBLE HALL."

Entering the hall from the vestibule, the visitor is immediately struck by the magnificence of the adornment. It may be that in the East there are equally fine houses, but the ordinary traveller seldom sees or hears of them. From floor to ceiling, everything is marble. The lofty columns are of Skyros marble; the colonnade and the staircase are all marble, and even the supports of the staircase are of dark grained marble of an exceptional

rich appearance. All the marble comes from Athens, and was imported from the Marmer Company, famous for their marble work in Europe. The staircase is in white marble, while the ornate ceiling and tessellated flooring complete a scene which, if one were not thought over-extravagant, might be termed gorgeous.

ELABORATE EMBELLISHMENTS.

The principal rooms—dining-room, drawing-room, billiard-room and an apartment which will probably be set apart for curios—are all on the first floor, radiating from the entrance hall. Each is furnished with folding-doors, elaborately carved in teak—no wood but teak is used throughout the building—and the great bow-windows are framed in stained-glass of chaste patterns. There are three folding doors leading to the drawing-room, which is 37 feet long by 24 feet wide. All the woodwork presents an appearance of solidity in keeping with the general design of the interior. Beyond is the dining-room, similar in size to the drawing-room. The ceiling in each apartment is diversified with plaster work patterns, and whole teak-wood openings afford ventilation. A frieze goes round the top of the walls, and electric lights at each corner, and also suspended from the ceiling—should convert night into day when the switch is turned. On the opposite side of the hall are the curio and billiard rooms. The frieze under the cornice in the curio room is unusually tasteful in design, Madonna-like faces being circled by leaf patterns, and as the work was done by Chinese workmen on the spot it reflects the greatest credit on the ability of local tradesmen. The billiard room is a well lighted chamber, quietly ornamented so far as the frieze and character of the ceiling are concerned. As already stated, all the four principal rooms are of the same size, 37 feet by 24 feet, and all are accessible to each other, besides affording easy entrance to the main corridor, the verandah, and the hall.

SIDE ENTRANCE AND OTHER CONVENIENCES.

At the rear of the dining-room there is a spacious tiled pantry, and a commodious kitchen, which is furnished with an up-to-date cooking apparatus, and a high pressure boiler for supplying hot water to every part of the house. The kitchen and adjacent rooms have the floors tiled, while the walls also up to the roof are of white, glazed sanitary tiles, so that everything should be spotlessly clean and free from the insistent microbe. There are the usual sculleries and such-like rooms, all built after the same pattern.

A side-porch and private entrance leads from the west side of the building, and it, also, has been carried out in the same lavish style as that distinguishing the main entrance. There are marble columns at each side of the corridor, and a scheme of ornate decoration along the walls. Indeed, the side entrance would, by most people, be considered a sight in itself, but it seems to pall after one has inspected the main hall and marble staircase.

A HOME AND HABITATION.

The magnificent aspect of the first floor has prepared the visitor for an equally sumptuous upper story, and he will not be disappointed. It has to be borne in mind that this appearance is obtained by a structure which is still in the hands of the builders. Everybody knows what a cheerless and forlorn sight is an empty house as a rule. It looks as if all the ghosts in the world might be holding high revel in the deserted chambers; as if comfort and pleasure were impossible. But such is in no way the case with Sir Paul Chater's house; for already, standing unfinished as it does, in *dishabille*, the term be permissible, it conveys a sense of being essentially a home and a habitation. What then will it look like when it has donned the garb of domesticity, and appears tricked out in all the habiliments of modern embellishment?

PALATIAL BEDROOMS.

The upper floor, then, is given over almost entirely to four bedrooms. On arriving at the top of the marble staircase, one enters a large and lofty apartment which may be either a hall or a sort of drawing-room. As a matter of fact, there is a possibility that it may be utilised as a boudoir; although, of course, nothing is definitely known on the point. It looks immediately over the portico and has a fine verandah whence one may overlook the harbour. The vista, indeed, extends to the borders of British territory on the north, east and west. At each side are two bedrooms, vastly different from the ordinary style of bedroom. These are spacious and elaborately finished apartments, decorated in the most palatial style. The fire-places and mantels alone are worthy of attention. In one chamber the mantel, of pure white marble, is flanked by two cupids beautifully carved, while in the centre, above the fire, two raised doves appear. It is a representation of high art in sculpture and forms a feast for the eyes. In another bedroom the mantel, also of white marble, has at each side a magnificent specimen of the heron, whose long neck is curved, the bill resting on the breast. The careful modelling of the breast feathers, and the chiselling of the head and bill show that the work was not performed by any perfunctory artist but by one who took a pride in his productions. The other two mantels have not yet been placed in position, but, of course, they will be equally fine and worthy of inspection.

AND ADJUNCTS.

In conjunction with each bedroom there is a bathroom and lavatory. The bathroom is the embodiment of what such a chamber should be; it resembles nothing so much as one of those rooms in London's finest hotels. There is an enamelled bath, with hot and cold water circulation laid on, sprays, etc.; the electric light is provided there as in all the rooms and the lavatory is replete with all the accessories essential to that virtue which is next to godliness. Each bedroom is adequately lighted by folding doors and windows, and each room leads directly upon a private verandah.

A MAGNIFICENT VISTA.

It is from this storey that the greatest view of the city, harbour, and surrounding district

is obtainable. The vista is one of the charms of the place, for, wherever the eye rests it lights upon a scene scarcely to be surpassed in changeable beauty and ever-beautiful change. As far as one can see lies the Lye-mun Pass; the serrated mountain peaks, with their gray and yellow ridges rising in serpentine folds from the valleys till they are lost on the summit of the mountains, are immediately in front; in the middle distance is the harbour with its ceaseless tide of bellying sails, unwieldy junks and skittish sampans, while the more dignified steamships gaze mast-like at the jerky "puffing-billies" of launches, which hasten hither and thither like evil spirits; Kowloon, also, is stretched out in clear perspective; and at the western side there is a long distant view of the ocean which most of us have crossed before we sought Hongkong's shores. It is needless to enlarge on this festive of the beautiful, but it is a factor in the life of those who will inhabit the mansion which none can overlook or forget.

PLEASANT FOR THE COOLIES.

Coming back to the prosaic, the servants' quarters are provided for at the rear of the main building. Out-houses, away from the mansion itself, have been built for the house coolies, chair-carriers, etc., and there the coolies will find themselves installed in quarters which must lead them to believe that they have found an earthly paradise. There is many a poor working man here and elsewhere who, if he were through his own folly, does not find his home life half so pleasant. There are rooms for stores, linen, washing and drying rooms, and such like. A circular staircase leads to the roof while a back staircase connects by means of a bridge with the main building.

A SUGGESTION.

This, the preliminary story of Sir Paul Chater's mansion, is practically ended. Work was commenced in connection with the main building nearly three years ago. It will be finished about March next. In the meantime a palace, which is also a home; an ornament, which is also a residence; have sprung up amid thorns and bracken. Only this suggestion might be permitted—after the opening ceremony or house-warming Sir Paul Chater might be induced to throw his house open for inspection by visitors for a day or two. Buildings, having not half the charms of this modern structure, are opened to the inspection of the multitude, and many would appreciate the privilege of being allowed an opportunity to view what would otherwise remain an incomplete impression.

CONCERT AT THE WELLINGTON BARRACKS.

Last night a very enjoyable concert was given at the R. E. Theatre, Wellington Barracks, by the Progressive Musical Club, in aid of sundry charities. H. E. Sir Matthew Nathan and Lady from Government House, and H. E. Major-General Villiers Hatton, and Mrs. Villiers Hatton were present in addition to many others. The programme was exceptionally well-arranged, each item being rendered with attractive effectiveness, which showed the capabilities of the performers. Among so many pleasing pieces it would, perhaps, be invidious to particularize, but Mrs. Dickens's "Star of Bethlehem," Mr. Edwards's "My Queen," Mrs. Bodeley's "What does little Birdie say?" and Miss Grella Bunney's violin solos were specially worth a word of mention, for they received undeniable accolades. The other performers, who all did excellent work, were Mrs. Fullerton, Mrs. Powell, Mrs. Webb, Miss Brown, Miss E. Brown, and Messrs. Grace, Austin, and Señor Muelle.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

3 p.m.

A regrettable incident has to be placed on record in the departure of a more or less familiar figure in the Kialto at a time when the impending Settlement is regarded as a burdensome one under the influence exercised from the North.

The market opened strong in the forenoon with inquiries for both Indos and China Sugars at \$127 and \$225, respectively. Shares of the former changed hands, but when telegraphic advices were received from the North giving the quotation as \$115.00 buyers, sellers held off, and the market closes strong at \$127 buyers. A later Shanghai cable gives the rate as \$115.00 buyers, that is, an advance of \$12.50 on yesterday.

China Sugars have strong buyers and the offer of \$125 before noon failing to bring out shares, the rate rose after 11.30 to \$227 without inducing holders to sell. There are forward inquiries also; \$235 is held out for April, but no shares appear to be available either cash or on time. The recent drop, in reality, was on paper only.

Farnham has reacted to \$115 according to one firm of brokers, and by another the quotation is given as \$116.

Hongkong Hotels have sellers at \$144, and Gr. Is. Cements sold and have buyers at \$50.

It is stated that negotiations for the sale of the Tebrau Planting Co.'s property have been completed for the sum of \$50,000.

The *Tungo-maru*, the largest ship ever constructed in Japan, was launched on the 12th December, from the Mitsui Bishi Dockyard and Engine Works' yard at Tategami Nagasaki. Mr. R. Kondo, President of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, for which the vessel has been built, and Mr. H. Shoda, General Manager of the Mitsui Bishi Company, were amongst those present. The ceremony was quite private, no invitations having been issued to the general public or to the press.

To-day's Advertisements.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

Established 1841.

ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.

CHRISTMAS EVE, SATURDAY, 24th December.

THE following Hours of Business will be observed in

ALL DEPARTMENTS: 8.30 A.M. TO 7 P.M.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED, The Hongkong Dispensary, Alexandra Buildings, Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. [1375]

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY.

NOTICE is hereby given that FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, the 26th instant.

By Order,

A. R. LOWE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. [1377]



TENDERS are invited for the SUPPLY OF SCRAPERS to the NAVAL YARD. For Particulars and Forms for tendering, apply to the Chief Constructor's Office, Naval Yard.

F. B. OLLIS,

Chief Constructor.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. [1373]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

ON

SATURDAY,

the 24th December, 1904, at 11 A.M., at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, A QUANTITY OF

DOLLS AND TOYS.

TERMS—As usual. GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. [1374]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

ON

THURSDAY,

the 29th December, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., at "Woodlandside," Castle Road, A QUANTITY OF

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—

PUSH COVERED DRAWING ROOM TABLES with BEVELLED MIRROR, OVER-MANTELS with BEVELLED MIRROR, FANCY TABLES, PICTURES, ENGRAVINGS, ORNAMENTS, &c., &c., &c. EXTENSION DINING TABLE, SIDE-BOARDS with BEVELLED MIRROR, DINNER WAGGON, DINNER SET (almost new), CHINA, CHINA, CHINA, CANE SEAT DINING CHAIRS, CARD TABLES, MARBLE-TOP TABLES, &c., &c., &c. DOUBLE and SINGLE IRON BED-STEADS, WARDROBES with BEVELLED MIRRORS, DRESSING TABLES with BEVELLED MIRROR, MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS, WRITING TABLES, &c., &c., &c. GLASS, CROCKERY and PLATED WARE, &c., BATH-ROOM REQUISITES.

ALSO
2 CARRYING CHAIRS,
2 RICKSHAS,
2 BICYCLES,
2 SEWING MACHINES.

One COTTAGE PIANO by "Pleyel" (in good condition).
TERMS—Cash on delivery.

On view from Tuesday, the 27th December, 1904.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. [1376]

DAIRY FARM CO., LIMITED.

FARMS at POKFULUM.
OFFICE & TOWN DEPOT:—WYNDHAM STREET.
KOWLOON BRANCH:—47, ELGIN ROAD.

CHRISTMAS BEEF.

A FEW SPECIALLY FINE CUTS for XMAS may be had if orders are sent in early.

PRICES:

Per lb.

Sirloin Roast	...	30 Cents.
Prime Rib Roast	...	30 "
Rump Steak	...	25 "
Porterhouse Steak	...	25 "
Round Steak	...	20 "
Boiling Beef	...	18 "
Soup Meat	...	12 "
Bone	...	10 "
Suet	...	20 "

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. [1195]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship

"MANCHURIA."

are hereby notified that their Goods are at their risk being discharged into Lighters and/or landed into our Godowns Nos. 1 and 2, at Kennedy Town, (Marine Lot 243), and delivery may be had either from Lighters or from our Godowns upon countersignature of Bills of Lading.

Goods remaining unclaimed after the 28th instant will be subject to rent.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before, the 31st instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

E. W. TILDEN,

Agent.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. [1]

To-day's Advertisements.

AT THE CATHOLIC UNION, GLENHALL.

GRAND CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME, "ALI BABA OR THE FORTY THIEVES."

IN aid of funds to provide Xmas Treats to 700 POOR CHILDREN & 200 POOR OLD PEOPLE.

Dates of Performance.

Prices of Admission.

TO-NIGHT, Dec. 22nd, at 9 P.M.	...
SATURDAY, 24th, at 5.30 P.M.	...
MONDAY, 26th, at 9 P.M.	...
WEDNESDAY, 28th, at 9 P.M.	...
THURSDAY, 29th, at 5.30 P.M.	...
MONDAY, Jan. 2nd, at 9 P.M.	...

* Children, 50 Cents.

Tickets can be had at the above address, where the plans of seats are on view.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. [1366]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

STEAM FOR

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE

AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship

"ROON,"

of the NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain G. Meiners, will leave for the above places, TO-MORROW, the 23rd inst., at 9 A.M.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904. [3]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"ROON,"

of the NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 1 P.M. TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th instant, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on THURSDAY, the 29th instant, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 3rd of January, 1905, or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELCHERS & Co.,

Agents.

Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA
AND SUMATRA PORTS.FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"SOBRALENSE"	22nd December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	24th December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PRIAM"	4th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"WRAVCASTLE"	5th January.

S.S. "SOBRALENSE" left Singapore on the 12th inst., at noon, and is expected here about the 22nd.

S.S. "PELEUS" left Singapore at daylight on the 18th inst., and may be expected to arrive here on the 24th.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
* GENOA, M'LES, HAVRE & L'POOL	"NINGCHOW"	22nd December.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"MOYUNE"	3rd January, 1905.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"HYSON"	17th January.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"HECTOR"	20th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	"PRIAM"	31st January.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"PELEUS"	28th December.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"KWANGSE"	23rd December.
SHANGHAI	"SHANGHAI"	24th "
NAGASAKI	"OHHLI"	26th "
SHANGHAI	"WOOSUNG"	26th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	26th "
MANILA	"TEAN"	27th "

* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

† Taking Cargo and Passengers at through Rates for all New Zealand and other Australian Ports.

N.B.—REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS. (SEE SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENT).

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904.

Hongkong-Manila.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamship
between Hongkong and Manila. Electric
Light, Buffet Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewardess carried.
—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of
Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA	FRIDAY, 23rd Dec., at 4 P.M.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	"	SATURDAY, 31st Dec., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1904.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.FOR NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL
PROPOSED SAILINGS.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	About
"RAS ISSA"	4,370	Brehmer	20th January, 1905.
"CLAVERDALE"	4,463	Bahle	30th January, "

For Freight and further information, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1904.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, via SHANGHAI, INLAND
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,FOR
PORTLAND, OREGON,OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH
THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail at Daylight on
"NICOMEDIA"	4,370	Brehmer	January 9th, 1905.
"NUMANTIA"	4,370	Brehmer	January 31st, "
"ARABIA"	4,463	Bahle	February 20th, "
"ARAGONIA"	5,198	Schmidt	March 12th, "

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

TSANG FOO & CO.

COAL MERCHANTS AND STEVEDORES,
48, DES VŒUX ROAD.

SHIPS Coaled from alongside at the shortest
prices, and with all possible despatch.
Notice Moderate.—Telephone No. 330.
Hongkong, 1st October, 1904.

NOTICE.

BOO CHEONG, of No. 20, Pottinger
Street, has always on hand

FIRST-CLASS WRITING AND PRINTING

PAPERS, AND STATIONERY
of every variety.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1904.

Shipping—Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

AUSTRALIAN LINE.

REDUCTION IN PASSAGE RATES.
From 1st January, 1904.ALSO REDUCED FARES TO
MANILA AND RETURN.STEAMERS fitted throughout with Electric
Light, First Class Accommodation. Un-
rivalled Table. Duly qualified Surgeon carried.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1904.

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE New Twin Screw Steamers

Tons Captain
"KWONG CHOW" 1,309 J. P. MARTIN.
"KWONG TUNG" 1,238 H. W. WAT-KER.
Leave Hongkong for Canton at 8.30 Every
Evening (Saturday excepted).
Leave Canton for Hongkong about 5 o'clock
Every Evening (Sunday excepted).
These Fine New Steamers have unexcelled
Accommodation for First Class Passengers and
are lit throughout by Electricity.

Passage Fare—Single Journey \$4.
Meals (Each) 1

The Company's Wharf is a Short Distance
West of the Harbour Master's Office.

SHIU ON S.S. CO., LD., and
YUEN ON S.S. CO., LD.,
No. 8, Queen's Road West.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1904.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

THE British Steamship

"YING KING,"
Captain E. J. Page, of 1,088 tons, Registered,
is the newest, fastest, and most luxuriously fur-
nished steamer on the line and is lighted
throughout with Electricity; hot and cold water
service. The cuisine is unexcelled.
Leaving Hongkong every MONDAY,
WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY EVENING,
at 9 P.M. and returning from Canton every
following evening at 5 P.M.

1st Class.....\$3.00 for Single Journey.
2nd ".....1.50
Meals 1.00 each.

The steamer's wharf is at the Western end
of Wing Lok Street.

YUK ON S.S. Co., LD.,
No. 216, Wing Lok Street.
WENDT & Co.,
Canton Agents.
Hongkong, 24th June, 1904.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

THE Splendid Steamer

"YING KING,"
Captain Page, will make an EXCURSION
TRIP TO MACAO, leaving the Company's wharf at the end of
Wing Lok Street, at 8.30 A.M., and returning
from Macao at 7.30 P.M.
The Steamer will lay alongside the S.S.
Perseverance's wharf at Macao.

FARE:
1st Class Single Ticket \$2.00, with Cabin \$3.00.
Return " \$3.00, " \$5.00.
Tiffin and Dinner may be had on Board
at \$1 each meal.

YUK ON & Co., LD.,
S. A. NORONHA,
Macao Agent.
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1904.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"
Captain T. AUSTIN, R.N.R.

THIS Steamer departs from Hongkong on
Week Days, at 8 A.M. and on Sun-
days at 8.30 A.M. Departs from Macao on Week
Days at 2.30 P.M. and on Sundays at 6.30 P.M.
FARES:—Week Days, 1st Class, including
Cabin and servant, Single \$3; Return Ticket,
\$5; 2nd Class, \$1; 3rd Class, 50 cents.
Every Sunday will be an Excursion, at the
following rates:—1st and 2nd Class, Single
Ticket, \$1; Return, \$2; 3rd Class, Single, 50
cents, Return, 30 cents; Storage, 10 cents.
TIFFIN AND DINNER can be supplied
either on Board, or at the Macao Hotel, for
returning passengers only, at an extra charge
of \$2.

On Sundays, passengers desiring to have a
Private Cabin which has accommodation for
two or more passengers, will be charged \$3
extra.
First Class Passengers, who do not care to
return on the Excursion Sunday, will be allowed
to do so the following day (Monday) on pro-
duction of the Return Half Ticket. Should
the Steamer not run on the Monday, owing to
the Boiler cleaning, due notice will be given
by the Captain, and the Half Ticket will be
available for the following day.
The Steamer is lit throughout by Electricity.
The Steamer's wharf at Hongkong is at the
Western end of Wing Lok Street.

MING ON & Co.,
2nd Floor, No. 16, Victoria Street.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1904.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE
TO NEW YORK,
VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1904.	About
"SHIMOSA"	28th December
"GHAZEE"	15th Jan., 1905
"SATSUMA"	5th Feb., "

* Via Malabar Coast.

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1904.

Shipping—Steamers.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG,"
Captain P. H. Rolfe, will be despatched as
above, TO-MORROW, the 23rd inst., at 4 P.M.
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation
for First-class Passengers, and is fitted through-
out with Electric Light.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1904.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, STRAITS AND RANGOON.

THE Company's Steamship

"PALANCOTTA,"
Captain Garland, will be despatched as above,
on TUESDAY, the 27th inst., at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1904.

Intimations.

SANITARY BOARD OFFICE,
Hongkong.TO THE OWNERS OF DOMESTIC
BUILDINGS.

TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the
DOMESTIC CLEANLINESS and
VENTILATION BYE-LAWS (as amended),
every Domestic Building or part of such Build-
ing within the WESTERN DIVISION of the CITY
OF VICTORIA occupied by members of more
than one family must be Cleaned and Lime-
washed THROUGHOUT by the owner
during the months of November and December.
N.B.—The word "Throughout" used in this
notice means that the Houses should be Lime-
washed in respect of all the Walls of each
Room and Staircase, all Cubicle Partitions, Stair
Casings and Stair Linings, all Ceilings and the
Undersides of Roofs both in Main Buildings,
Offices and Servants' Quarters and inclusive
of Verandahs.

The Back Yard should have its containing
Walls Limewashed up to the level of the first
floor.
Carved, Painted or Polished Woodwork in
good condition, however, need not be Lime-
washed but must be Cleaned.

The Western Division of the City lies to the
west of Tank Lane and Cleverly Street.
THOS. A. HANMER,
Secretary.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1904.

THE
CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE
AND
ELECTRIC CONDUIT, LIMITED.

ELECTRIC BELL INSTALLATIONS.

FITTED AND MAINTAINED.

ELECTRIC SUPPLIES:

BATTERIES,

ELECTRIC BELLS,

SWITCHES,

TELEPHONES,

INSULATORS,

WIRE,

AND
ESTIMATES.

ADDRESS:—2, ICE HOUSE ROAD.

Hongkong, 22nd November, 1904.

FURNITURE WAREHOUSE.

LI KWONG LOONG,

李廣隆

CABINET-MAKER AND ART DECORATOR,
from Shanghai, has opened a
FURNITURE STORE
at
No. 45, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL.
The only Shop in Hongkong with this name.WHERE HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE
of every description can be made to
order in any design required.
Has been patronised by the Hongkong Club,
Hongkong Hotel, Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co.,
Ld., Joint Telegraphs Co., and other leading
Establishments in the Colony, to whom refer-
ence may be made as to the Superior Work-
manship and Materials of the Furniture, &c.,
supplied.
Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. write as
follows:—
"We have pleasure in stating that Mr. LI
KWONG LOONG furnished the Annex to
our Dispensary and gave us every satisfac-
tion."
(Sd.) A. S. WATSON & Co., Ld.
ORDERS punctually attended to, and
CHARGES most moderate.
AN INSPECTION INVITED.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1904.

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"GREGORY APCAR,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods
will be delivered from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed
at once, at Consignees' risk and expense.
Cargo remaining on board after the 22nd
instant, at 4 P.M., will be landed at Con-
signees' risk and expense into the Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Co., Limited.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and
PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE
DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside,
such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and
expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"SILVERLIP,"
FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, AND
STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed
that all Goods are being landed at their risk,
into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kow-
loon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited,
whence and/or from the wharves delivery may
be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods undeliv-
ered after the 26th instant, will be subject
to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-
sented to the Undersigned on or before the
28th instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 26th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"TIENSIN"

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.
Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd instant, at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignees,
and the Company's representative at an ap-
pointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days
of the steamer's arrival here after which date
they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"MALTA"

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., ex S.S. Himalaya and
Marmora.

From Australia, ex S.S. Macedonia.

From Calcutta, ex S.S. Sardania.

From Persian Gulf, &c., ex B. I. S. N. and
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary before
1 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd instant, at
4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignees,
and the Company's representative at an ap-
pointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten
days of the steamer's arrival here after which
date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the good-
have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1904.

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS OF THE ITALIAN
CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs mo-

respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of
Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kin-
dness and support, and desires to state that
she will be pleased to receive orders for all kind
of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs
and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Chil-
dren's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery.
Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superioresse will also be most grateful
for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made
into Books for the Children of the Poor School,
who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd Dec., 1904.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL
SIGNALS.

A NEW CODE.

We have received from the Hongkong
Observatory a new code of meteorological
signals which comes into force at Hongkong
on New Year's Day. They are the same as
those at present in use at Shanghai, and will
be hoisted on the mast beside the time-ball at
Kowloon Point for the information of masters
of vessels leaving the port. They do not neces-
sarily imply that bad weather is expected. The
signals are as follows:—

A cone point upwards indicates a typhoon to
the North of the Colony.

A cone point upwards and drum below in-
dicates a typhoon to the North-East of the
Colony.

A drum indicates a typhoon to the East of
the Colony.

A cone point downwards and drum below
indicates a typhoon to the South-East of the
Colony.

A cone point downwards indicates a typhoon
to the South of the Colony.

A cone point downwards and ball below
indicates a typhoon to the South-West of the
Colony.

A ball indicates a typhoon to the West of
the Colony.

A cone point upwards and ball below indicates
a typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.

Red Signals indicate that the centre is
believed to be more than 300 miles away from
the Colony.

Black Signals indicate that the centre is
believed to be less than 300 miles away from
the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore,

SHIPPING.

Arrivals.
 Lokang, Br. s.s., 978, Hussey, 20th Dec.,—
 Wuhu 15th Dec, Rice.—J. M. & Co.
 Samsun, Br. s.s., 1,642, Hodgson, 20th Dec.,—
 New York 21st Sept, and Manila 10th
 Dec, Gen. and Cargo.—D. & Co.
 Manchuria, Am. s.s., 8,750, J. W. Saunders,
 21st Dec.—San Francisco 19th Nov, and
 Shanghai 19th Dec, Mails and Gen.—P.
 M. S. S. Co.
 Yuenang, Br. s.s., 1,250, P. H. Rolfe, 21st
 Dec.—Manila via Amoy 20th Dec, Gen.—
 J. M. & Co.
 Hsieh Ho, Ch. s.s., 1,873, Crawford, 21st Dec.,—
 Shanghai 18th Dec, Gen.—C. M. S. N.
 Co.
 Emma Luken, Ger. s.s., 1,160, H. Marten,
 21st Dec.,—amirung (Java) 10th Dec,
 Sugar and Cotton Seed.—Chinese.
 Trios, Ger. s.s., 1,120, H. Kraft, 21st Dec.,—
 Saigon 16th Dec, Rice.—S. & Co.
 Orange, Nor. s.s., 1,007, John Dannevig, 22nd
 Dec.—Mojito 16th Dec, Coal.—B. W. & Co.
 Nanshan, Br. s.s., 1,299, Stovell, 22nd Dec.,—
 Mojito 16th Dec, Coal.—B. & Co.
 Hainan, Br. s.s., 636, A. Robson, 22nd Dec.,—
 Swatow 21st Dec, Gen.—D. L. & Co.
 Wonsung, Br. s.s., 1,100, Dawson, 22nd Dec.,—
 Canton 21st Dec, Gen.—B. & S.
 Germania, Ger. s.s., 1,714, J. Bruhn, 22nd Dec.,—
 Bangkok 12th Dec, Rice.—J. & Co.
 Ruon, Ger. s.s., 5,034, G. Meiners, 22nd Dec.,—
 Hamburg 10th Nov, and Singapore 17th
 Dec, Mails and Gen.—V. & Co.
 Bawtry, Br. s.s., 1,542, Shotton, 22nd Dec.,—
 Shanghai 16th Dec, Ballast.—D. & Co.
 Shansi, Br. s.s., 1,218, J. G. Carnaghan, 22nd
 Dec.—Canton 21st Dec, Gen.—B. & S.
Clearances at the Harbour Office.
 Esang, for Canton.
 Clara Jahan, for Chinkiang.
 Hai Ho, for West River.
 San Cheong, for Canton.
 Kwongtung, for Canton.
 Samsun, for Shanghai.
 Tak Hing, for West River.
 Alhaka, for Swatow.
 Shunt, for Shanghai.
 Triton, for Tsingtau.
 Wo Ping, for West River.
 Profit, for Bangkok.
 Choyang, for Shanghai.

**Empress of China, Br. s.s., 3,046, E. Beetham,
 R.N.R., 21st Dec.—Vancouver, B.C., 28th
 Nov., and Shanghai 18th Dec, Mails and
 Gen.—C. P. K. Co.
 E-Sang, Br. s.s., 1,127, W. F. Richard, 21st
 Dec.—Chinkiang 16th Dec, Gen.—J. M.
 & Co.
 Fausing, Br. s.s., 1,410, R. Cox, 20th Dec.—
 Java 11th Dec, Sugar.—J. M. & Co.
 Gregory Apar, Br. s.s., 2,961, J. G. Olfert,
 20th Dec.—Calcutta 3rd Dec, Penang
 and Singapore 13th Dec, Gen.—D. S. & Co.
 Ld.
 Highlander, Br. s.s., 1,595, W. Dawson, 17th
 Dec.—Mojito 11th Dec, Coal.—D. & Co.
 Ld.
 Hue, Fr. s.s., 705, Godineau, 27th Nov.—
 Haiphong and Hoihow 26th Nov, Gen.—
 A. R. M.
 Indravelli, Br. s.s., 3,215, S. Cullington, 28th
 Nov.—Shanghai 24th Nov, Ballast.—J.
 M. & Co.
 Korat, Ger. s.s., 1,233, W. Hirner, 19th Dec.,—
 Bangkok (Anghin) 9th Dec, Gen.—
 Yong Fat Hong.
 Laertes, Br. s.s., 1,341, J. B. Jackson, 15th Dec.,—
 Saigon 10th Dec, Rice, Meal and Gen.—
 Chinese.
 Manica, Br. s.s., 2,615, R. Leslie, 17th Dec.—
 Shanghai 14th Dec, Gen.—N. Y. K.
 Medan, Ger. s.s., 764, O. Stolberg, 30th Nov.—
 South Sea Island (Sip) 22nd Nov, Copra.
 S. & Co.
 V. Struve, Ger. s.s., 956, P. Brandt, 21st Dec.,—
 Tamsui 18th Dec, Amoy 19th, and
 Swatow 20th, Gen.—O. S. K.
 Ningchow, Br. s.s., 5,716, Riley, 21st Dec.,—
 Shanghai 18th Dec, Gen.—B. & S.
 Phu Yen, Fr. s.s., 1,299, Ducroiret, 17th Dec.,—
 Sourabaya 5th Dec, Sugar and Ground-
 nuts.—B. & Co.
 Pleiades, Am. s.s., 2,932, F. G. Pennyton, 16th
 Dec.—Mojito 11th Dec, Coal.—D. & Co.
 Ld.
 Profit, Nor. s.s., 715, E. Olsen, 18th Dec.—
 Bangkok 9th Dec, Rice.—Order.
 Samsun, Ger. s.s., 958, F. Richwaldt, 19th
 Dec.—Bangkok 11th Dec, Rice.—M. &
 Co.
 Seidla, Br. s.s., 3,438, Gen. Brown, 20th Nov.—
 Mojito 23rd Nov, Coal.—J. M. & Co.
 Shilo, Br. s.s., 2,237, J. V. H. 12th Dec.—
 Westport, N.Z., via Newcastle, N.S.W., 10th
 Nov, Coal.—Admiralty.
 Stanley Dollar, Br. s.s., 737, J. Bruce, 21st
 Dec.—San Francisco 31st Oct, Flour.—
 A. K. & Co.
 Tetartus, Ger. s.s., 1,578, J. Decker, 14th Dec.,—
 Kuchit 9th Dec, Coal.—S. & Co.
 Tungchow, Br. s.s., 687, Parkis, 23rd Nov.—
 Shanghai 20th Nov, Ballast.—Order.
 Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,611, R. Podge, 20th Dec.—
 Manila 17th Dec, Gen.—J. M. & Co.**

Stations Expected.
 Java Singapore P. & O. Co. Dec. 24
 Celebes Singapore B. S. S. Co. Dec. 24
 Ceylon Singapore P. M. S. Co. Dec. 24
 Laisang Singapore J. M. & Co. Dec. 26
 Australia Singapore M. M. S. Co. Dec. 27
 Taiyuan Sydney B. S. S. Co. Dec. 27
 Tartar Vancouver C. P. R. Co. Dec. 28
 Glenloghan Singapore M. G. & G. Dec. 28
 Massapequa Manila S. T. & Co. Dec. 28
 Korea Japan P. M. S. Co. Dec. 29
 Deucalion Victoria B. S. S. Co. Jan. 3
 Numanita Portland P. & A. Co. Jan. 23

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HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS ON THE CHINA STATION.

NAME	CLASS	TONS	GUNS	H.P.	CAPTAIN	LAST REPORTED AT
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1,700	4	3,000	Commander Harbord	Hongkong
Albion	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain Sydney R. Fremantle	Hongkong
Algerine	sloop	—	—	—	Reserve	Hongkong
Amphitrite	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	18,000	Captain Charles Windham, C.V.O.	Wei-hai-wei
Andromeda	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	16,500	Captain R. Nelson O'Malley	Shanghai
Astraea	cruiser, 2nd class	4,365	10	7,000	Captain Lionel G. Tufnell	Singapore
Bramble	gunboat, 1st class	—	—	—	Reserve	Hongkong
Britomart	gunboat, 1st class	—	—	—	Reserve	Hongkong
Centurion	battleship, 1st class	10,500	14	13,000	Captain Fegan	Wei-hai-wei
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	300	—	Hongkong
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	306	6	5,700	Lieut.-Commander C. Assai	Hongkong
Hardy	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain Hon. Stopford	Hongkong
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4,000	—	Hongkong
Humber	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4,000	—	Wei-hai-wei
Imperieuse	storeship	1,640	—	800	—	Hongkong
Janus	cruiser, 2nd class	3,600	8	7,000	Lieut. P. M. Riadore	Shanghai
Kinshasa	torpedo boat destroyer	285	4	3,900	Lieut.-Commander J. A. Gregory	Wei-hai-wei
Moorehead	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lieut.-Commander G. B. Powell	Yangtze
Ocean	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Lieut.-Commander F. B. Noble	Wei-hai-wei
Otter	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6,300	Captain T. G. Greet	Hongkong
Phenix	sloop	—	—	—	Reserve	Hongkong
Rambler	surveying-vessel	815	6	650	Commander C. E. Monro	Labuan
River	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander Robert E. Vaughan	West River
Rosario	sloop	980	6	1,400	Commander G. W. Vivian	Hongkong
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander H. T. Atlay	West River
Sirius	cruiser, 2nd class	3,600	8	7,000	Captain C. H. Moore	Wei-hai-wei
Salpa	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander Davidson	Yangtze
Taku	torpedo boat destroyer	250	6	6,500	Lieut. O. Cranford	Hongkong
Tamar	receiving ship	4,650	6	—	Commodore Dicken	Hongkong
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lieut.-Commander E. V. Dugmore	Yangtze
Thetis	cruiser, 2nd class	3,400	8	9,000	Captain J. A. C. Wilkinson	Hongkong
Tweed	coast defence gunboat	363	3	200	Lieut.-Commander R. H. Keate	Hongkong
Vengeance	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain Leslie Stuart, C.M.G.	Amoy
Virago	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6,300	—	Hongkong
Waterwitch	surveying ship	620	4	450	Lieut.-Commander Ernest C. Hardy	Hongkong
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5,900	Lieut.-Commander H. M. Wells	Hongkong
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Commander Hugh Somerville	Yangtze
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Commander Watson	Yangtze

* Flag of Admiral Sir Gerard U. Noel, Commander-in-Chief.
 * Flag of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. C. von Hagen, C.M.G.

FRENCH MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA STATION.

NAME	FLAG AND DESCRIPTION	TONS	GUNS	H. P.	COMMANDING OFFICERS	LAST REPORTED AT
Acheron	armoured gunboat	1,796	10	1,700	Lieut. Ferret	Saigon
Argus	river gunboat	123	—	500	Lieut. Jeannel	Canton
Aspic	gunboat	475	3	450	Lieut. Grellier	Saigon
Avalanche	river gunboat	140	5	150	—	Haiphong
Balonnelle	river gunboat	—	—	150	—	Saigon
Carondelet	river gunboat	—	—	150	—	Saigon
Chateaufort	protected cruiser	8,108	18	1,700	Captain Prat	Saigon
Comble	gunboat	525	4	438	Lieut. Merveilleux du Vignaux	Krat (Siam)
D'Assas	armoured cruiser	4,000	31	9,500	Captain Allaire	Baie d'Along
Decidie	gunboat	645	10	1,000	Lieutenant L'Eost	Baie d'Along
Descartes	cruiser	3,985	14	5,500	Commander Amet	Saigon
Estoc	river gunboat	303	—	—	Lieut. Mère	Haiphong
Francisque	destroyer	303	7	6,300	Lieut. Cotoni	Saigon
Fronde	destroyer	350	—	303	Lieut. Jehenne	Haiphong
Guydon	armoured cruiser	9,370	7	20,200	Capt. Goudot	Tourane
Henri Riviere	river gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Fortier	Haiphong
Jacquin	river gunboat	300	6	308	Lieut. Corlour	Haiphong
Javeline	destroyer	307	—	303	Lieut. Beau-séant	Haiphong
Kersaint	cruiser	1,250	7	2,200	Commander Simon	Chemulpo & Shai
Lyon	sub-marine	—	—	—	Armbruster	Saigon
Montcalm	armoured cruiser	9,700	12	16,600	Capt. Duval	Saigon
Mousquet	destroyer	307	7	6,300	Lieut. Prat	Saigon
Oly	river gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Audemar	Haiphong
Pascal	cruiser	4,015	27	8,500	Commander Chevalier	Chungking
Pelido	gunboat	—	—	—	—	Colombo
Pistolet	destroyer	307	7	6,300	Lieut. de Reinach-Werth	Haiphong
Protee	sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Glorieux	Saigon
Redoutable	sub-marine, reserve	9,437	8	6,071	Commodore C. P. M. Poidolle	Saigon
Sabre	destroyer	—	—	—	Lieut. Leblai	Saigon
Sully	armoured gunboat	1,796	10	11,700	Capt. Dupriez	Saigon
Takong	gunboat	629	2	900	Capt. Guiberteau	Saigon
Takong	river gunboat	—	—	—	—	Shanghai & Yangtze
Takong	destroyer	250	6	—	—	Upper Yangtze
Vauban	battleship, reserve	6,150	23	4,560	Capt. Terquem	Saigon
Vigilante	river gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. Brugnon	Hongkong

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 * Flagship of Rear-Admiral de Fauque de Jonquière, Second-in-Command.

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Post Office.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

Christmas Day, the 25th, and Boxing Day, the 26th of December, having been declared public holidays, the Post Office will be closed except from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. There will be one delivery and one collection on Sundays. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

The public are requested to post their local Christmas Cards early on the 23rd and 24th of December.

Attention is called to page 5 paragraph 50 of the Hongkong Postal Guide which has reference to the stamping and posting of Christmas and New Year Cards.

Cards which are sealed or forwarded in closed covers with the corners cut off or with notched ends will be treated as letters and cannot be forwarded at Book Post rate.

In future, there will be one delivery of correspondence each day on week days only in Shaukiwan, leaving General Post Office at noon.

Pillar Boxes at Arsenal Street and Percival Street will in future be cleared four times a day as under:

Place	Time
Percival Street	8 a.m.—11 a.m. 2 p.m.—5 p.m.
Arsenal Street	8.5 a.m.—11.5 a.m. 2.5 p.m.—5.5 p.m.

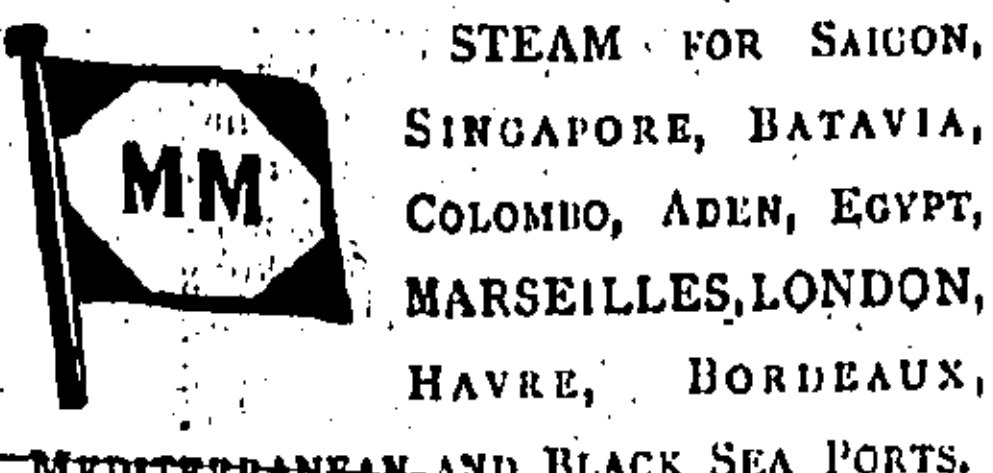
Vessels in Port.

STRANERS.
 Agincourt, Br. s.s., 3,876, Worsnop, 3rd Oct.—
 Hainan, Br. s.s., 2,440, Ballast.—Order.
 Athenian, Br. s.s., 2,440, Robinson, 17th
 Dec.—Vancouver, B.C., 24th Nov, and
 Shanghai 14th Dec, Gen.—C. P. R. Co.
 Australian, Br. s.s., 1,784, A. H. Shaw, 18th
 Dec.—Melbourne 12th Dec, Sydney and
 Manila 13th Dec, Gen.—L. & Co.
 Belgian King, Br. s.s., 2,353, J. Hayton, 20th
 Dec.—Mojito 23rd Nov, Coal.—B. & Co.
 Clara Jahan, Ger. s.s., 1,103, F. Bendixen, 19th
 Dec.—Haiphong 11th Dec, R. Co and Gen.
 J. & Co.
 Clavering, Br. s.s., 2,141, D. Barton, 19th Dec.—
 Salina Cruz 14th Nov, Ballast.—C. C.
 S. S. Co.
 Deramore, Nor. s.s., 1,495, Olaf Schervig, 18th
 Dec.—Haiphong 16th Dec, Rice.—A. C.
 M.
 Douglas, Br. s.s., 3,820, M. N. English, 15th
 Dec.—New York 16th Sept, Case Oil—
 B. O. Co.

VISITORS AT THE HOTELS.

KOWLOON.
 Bennett, W. C. Thomson, Major and
 Dorphy, Capt. Mrs. G. S.
 Cullington, Capt. and Rowe, Mrs. W. E. and
 child.
 Newman, Mr. and Mrs. Watson, Mr. and
 W. H.
 Mitchell, Mr. Weekley, Mr.

MAILS. **MESSAGERIES MARITIMES** FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.



The S.S. "TONKIN,"
Captain R. Schmitz, will be despatched for MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 27th DECEMBER, at 1 P.M.
Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports.
Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.
Next sailings will be as follows:—
S.S. DUMBEA 10th January, 1905.
S.S. AUSTRALIEN 24th January, 1905.
S.S. SALAZIE 7th February, 1905.

L. BRIDOU,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1904. [19]



THE PENINSULA AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.
(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)
THE S.S. "BENGAL,"
Captain G. Phillips, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 31st December, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the Company's S.S. Victoria, 6,522 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. Oriental, due in London on the 12th February, 1905.
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.
For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1904. [14]

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.
BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
BOSTON TOW-BOAT COMPANY.
Connecting at Tacoma with
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA, VIA
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Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	Sailing.
Pleiades 1	3,753	F.G. Purinton	Ab. Dec. 24
Tremont	9,606	T. W. Garlick	Jan. 10
Lyra	4,417	G. V. Williams	Feb. 9
Pleiades 2	3,753	F.G. Purinton	Mar. 4

1 Cargo only.
FOR MANILA.
The largest, steadiest, and most comfortable steamer for Manila.
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CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE; ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESSES.
The twin-screw s.s. *Shawmut* and *Tremont* have just been fitted with very superior accommodation for first and second class passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room.
Barber's shop and steam-laundry. Cargo carried in cold storage.
For further information, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
General Agents.
Queen's Buildings,
Hongkong, 20th December, 1904. [12]

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.
A FOOK & Co.,
SHIP AND HOUSE COMPARDORES,
have this day
REMOVED
TO
No. 12, POTTINGER STREET,
opposite their old establishment.
11th November, 1904. [1184]

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

ONE VERTICAL ENGINE with Fly Wheel and Governor, one cylinder 9 1/2 inches diameter by 8 inch stroke.
One VERTICAL ENGINE with Fly Wheel and Governor, one cylinder 12 1/2 inches diameter by 18 inch stroke.
One VERTICAL ENGINE with Fly Wheel and Governor, two cylinders 9 1/2 inches diameter by 12 inch stroke.
One HORIZONTAL ENGINE with Fly Wheel and Governor, one cylinder 11 1/2 inches diameter by 36 inch stroke.
One HORIZONTAL ENGINE with Fly Wheel and Governor, one cylinder 16 inches diameter by 30 inch stroke.
The above can be inspected, and all particulars obtained, upon application to the Manager, Kowloon Docks.

W. D. DIXON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 10th December, 1904. [1330]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 375 lbs. net \$5.00 per Cask ex Factory.
In Bags of 250 lbs. net \$3.20 per Bag ex Factory.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1904. [783]

FOR SALE.

INCANDESCENT GASOLINE LAMPS.

OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS, from the best makers.

INCANDESCENT MANTLES, CHIMNEYS, GLOBES, SHADES, &c.,

for GASOLINE AND GAS LAMPS at the most moderate prices.

Lamps fixed up for Buyers free of charge.

Naphtha of the best kind kept in stock.

TAI KWONG CO.,
56, Lyndhurst Terrace.
Hongkong, 2nd May, 1904. [31]

To Let.

TO LET.

EUROPEAN HOUSES, Nos. 2 to 4, 6 to 8 and 10 to 15, GAP ROAD, facing Race Course, within reach of the Electric Cars, thoroughly cleaned and colour-washed, in flats or whole.
Apply to—
S. A. SETH,
Land and Estate Broker,
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 17th November, 1904. [1996]

TO LET.

WILD BELL BUILDINGS, No. 147, WANCHAI ROAD. Comfortable and airy flats of 2 or 3 Rooms, from \$25 inclusive of Taxes.
No. 13, MOSQUE JUNCTION.
And others to suit various requirements.
S. A. SETH,
Land and Estate Broker,
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 14th October, 1904. [49]

TO LET.

GODOWN No. 3, New Praya, Kennedy Town.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 21st November, 1904. [1259]

TO LET.

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE, THE PEAK.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [436]

TO LET.

NO. 1, RIFON TERRACE.
A HOUSE in WONG NEI CHONG ROAD. FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing Polo Ground.
OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PIER).
GODOWNS: PRAYA EAST.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. [1956]

TO LET.

ONE ROOM on the First Floor of ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.
Apply to—
SECRETARY,
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.
Hongkong, 10th December, 1904. [729]

TO LET.

FLATS for OFFICES, in New Buildings, near Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Pedder Street. Electric Lift.
Apply to—
AHMET RUMJAHN,
64, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1904. [1335]

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. BENJAMIN, KELLY & POTTS. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.							
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	\$125	\$125	£1,000,000 \$7,000,000 \$250,000 \$175,533 \$191,973	\$1,492,554	{ Div. of £1.10/6 @ exchange 1/9 15/16 } { \$16.41 for first half-year 1904	{ \$715 sales } { London £704 } { \$39 sellers }
MARINE INSURANCES							
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,400,000 \$1,739	\$150,494	\$17 for 1903	6 1/2 % \$350 buyers
China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$950,000 \$151,992 \$362,366 \$374,445	Nil.	\$4 1/2 for year ended 30.4.1904	7 1/2 % \$584
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 800,000	Tls. 217,119	Final of 10/- making £1 for 1903	8 % Tls. 95 sa. & s.
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	\$1,850,000 £20,000 \$374,749 \$893,110 \$846,773 \$700,000 \$37,794 \$1,000,000 \$125,075 \$25,501 \$1,170,286	\$2,078,997	\$35 for 1903	5 % \$710
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	\$100	\$60	\$1,000,000 \$37,794	\$186,284	\$12 for 1902	8 % \$150 buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.							
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$1,000,000 \$125,075 \$25,501	\$330,047	\$6 dividend & \$1 bonus for 1902	8 % \$90 buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,170,286	\$371,110	\$22 1/2 for 1902	6 1/2 % \$335 sellers
SHIPPING, TUG AND CARGO BOATS.							
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$63,123	\$5 for 1900	6 % \$334 buyers
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	\$50	\$50	\$185,000 \$80,935 \$250,000 \$600,000 \$157,555	Nil.	\$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	10 1/2 % \$28
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	{ £205,000 } { £100,000 }	\$16,362	\$1 1/4 for first half-year 1904	4 1/2 % \$127 sales & b.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	60,000	£10	£10	{ £205,000 } { £100,000 }	£5,853	10/- for 1903 @ 1/10 5/16 = \$5.378	8 1/2 % Tls. 50 sales
Shanghai-Tug-and-Lighter Company, Limited	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 55,541	Interim of Tls. 2 for 1904	8 % Tls. 48 sales
Do. (Preference)	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 55,541	Interim of 1/- (Coupon No. 4) for 1903	4 % 25/6 sellers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	\$400,000 \$21,075 \$18,000 \$130,153 Tls. 98,000 Tls. 201,614	\$1,287	{ \$1.80 & b. 40 cts } { \$5.00 & b. 20 cts. } for year ending 30.4.04	5 1/2 % \$40 sellers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	\$400,000 \$21,075 \$18,000 \$130,153 Tls. 98,000 Tls. 201,614	\$33,648	\$5 for 2nd & 4-year making \$13 for 1903	9 % \$145 sellers
Straits Steamship Company, Limited	5,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$21,075 } { \$18,000 } { \$130,153 } { Tls. 98,000 } { Tls. 201,614 }	\$33,648	\$5 for 2nd & 4-year making \$13 for 1903	9 % Tls. 30 sellers
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 98,000 } { Tls. 201,614 }	Tls. 865	Interim of Tls. 1 1/4 for 1904	10 % Tls. 30 sellers
REFINERIES.							
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$147,717	Interim of \$5 for 1904	...
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$73,905	\$3 for 1897	...
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 1,635	Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 30.9.04	4 1/2 % Tls. 57 1/2 ex div.
MINING.							
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	\$40,000	£7,820	No. 3 of 1/6	Tls. 6 1/2 sales
Oriental Consolidated Mining Company, Limited	50,000	G \$10	G \$10	none	G \$97,093	50 cents making G \$1 for 1904	G \$16 1/2 sales
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	50,000	£1	£1	{ £40,000 } { £18,170 } { £1 } { £1 }	{ £7,820 } { Dr. £4,029 }	No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents	\$48 sellers
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	Fcs. 250	{ Fcs. 251,337 } { Fcs. 1,529,652 }	Fcs. 85,706	Final of Fcs. 25 making Fcs. 55 for 1903	...
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.							
Gen. Fenwick & Co., Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$50,000 } { \$50,989 }	\$10,517	\$3.75 for 1903	8 % \$45 sellers
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown, Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$50,000 } { \$25,500 }	\$28,015	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1904	4 1/2 % \$114 sellers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$25,500	\$505,471	{ \$6 dividend and \$2 bonus for first half- } { year 1904 }	7 1/2 % \$217 1/2 sellers
Howarth Erskine, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$100	\$60,000	...	\$10 div. & \$5 bonus for year end. 30/6/04	7 1/2 % \$203 buyers
New Amoy Dock Company, Limited	6,000	\$64	\$64	\$55,500	\$489	\$1 1/4 for 1903	4 1/2 % \$27 sellers
Riley Hargreaves & Co., Limited	6,000	\$100	\$100	\$150,000	\$40,935	{ \$10 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus } { \$7 dividend } for 1903	6 1/2 % \$102 1/2
Do. (Preference)	2,750	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 900,000	Tls. 48,153	Tls. 7 final = Tls. 12 for year end. 30.4.04	7 1/2 % Tls. 160 sales
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Limited	55,200	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 48,153	Tls. 22,895	Interim of Tls. 4 for 1904	8 1/2 % Tls. 132 1/2
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company	32,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 48,153	Tls. 22,895	\$6 for first half year 1904	5 % \$23 1/2
Tanjong Payar Dock Company, Limited	37,000	\$100	\$100	\$2,100,000	\$43,732	Tls. 18 for 1903	9 1/2 % Tls. 190 sales
Yangtze Wharf and Godown Company, Limited	2,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 6,000	Tls. 1,760	\$2 1/2 for year ended 30.6.1904	9 % \$28 sales
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.							
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	\$25	\$25	none	\$0,089	Interim of Tls. 4	6 % Tls. 150
Astor House Hotel, Limited (Tientsin)	2,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 41,000	Tls. 655	Interim of Tls. 2	...
China Land and Finance Company, Limited	6,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ \$11,824 } { \$20,600 }	\$11,668	\$5 for first half-year 1904	8 % \$145 sales
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$11,824 } { \$20,600 }	\$11,668	Interim of \$6 for 1904	8 % \$148 sellers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$500,000	\$51,966	Tls. 0.87 1/2 for the year ending 31.3.1904	4 1/2 % Tls. 20 1/2 sales
Hongtel Colonies Company, Limited (Shanghai)	9,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 13,986	Tls. 680	90 cents for 1903	7 1/2 % \$121
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$200,607 } { \$50,000 }	\$9,177	\$2.60 for 1903	6 1/2 % \$384 buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$30	none	\$636	Interim of Tls. 3 for 1904	7 % Tls. 117 sales
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 800,000 } { Tls. 150,000 } { Tls. 17,144 }	Tls. 37,634	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for 1904	7 % Tls. 49 sales
Tientsin Hotel des Colonies, Limited	1,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Dr. Tls. 2,132	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for 1904	7 % Tls. 125
Tientsin Land Investment Company, Limited	7,226	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 54,626	Tls. 325	None	...
Wei-hai-wei Land and Building Company, Limited	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	none	Tls. 5,150	Interim of \$1 1/4 for 1904	5 % Tls. 12 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$1,362	Tls. 4 for year ended 31.10.1903	4 1/2 % Tls. 25 buyers
COTTON MILLS.							
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Tls. 11,655	50 cents for the year ending 31.7.04	3 1/2 % \$13
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$22,862	Interim of 3 % a/c 1898	...
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 30,098	Tls. 88,034	Interim of 4 % a/c 1898 on 6,000 shares	...
Lao-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 15,500	4 % for 1897	...
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 5,658	Tls. 26,389	\$125 for year ending 30.6.1900	...
CIGARS AND TOBACCO COS.							
Alhambra, Limited	300	\$200	\$200	\$779	nil	First year	...
Philippine Company, Limited	17,500	\$10	\$10	...	...	Interim of Tls. 3	9 1/2 % Tls. 65 sales
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	{ Tls. 24,820 } { Tls. 15,000 }	Tls. 1,091	Interim of 50 cents for 1904	8 % \$12 1/2
MISCELLANEOUS.							
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$250,000 } { \$15,000 }	\$2,883	6d. per share for 1903	5 1/2 % \$5
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	none	£161	\$3 for 1903	7 1/2 % \$40 buyers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$10	\$5,500	\$590	Interim of \$1.20 for 1904	11 1/2 % \$22 sellers
Central Stores, Limited	6,000	\$15	\$12	\$20,000	\$1,253	None	...
Do. (Founders)	123	\$15	\$12	...	...	Preferential of 7 per cent for 1904	6 1/2 % \$8 sales
Do. (New Issue)	24,000	\$15	\$12	...	...	60 cents for 1903	4 1/2 % \$131 sales
China-Northern Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	none	Nil.	Tls. 6 for 1903	8 % Tls. 75 sales
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	4,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,942	None	...
China Light and Power Company, Limited	30,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$37,339	80 cents for 1903	8 1/2 % \$92 sales
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$55,000	\$1,171	\$1 1/4 for year ending 31.7.1903	...
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	...	...	Tls. 5 for 1902	...
E. L. Mond, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Dr. Tls. 15,318	\$5 div. and \$2 1/2 bonus for 1903	7 1/2 % \$100 sales
Fraser and Neave, Limited	4,500	\$50	\$50	\$112,500	\$2,706	\$1.50 for 1903	5 % \$50 buyers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	\$150,000	\$34,115	Interim of \$1	14 % \$25 sales
Hall & Holtz, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	\$180,000	\$13,104	£1 div. and 2/- bonus for 1903	7 1/2 % \$160 buyers
Hongkong & China Gas Company, Limited	7,000	£10	£10	{ £23,109 } { £3,000 }	£7,625	{ \$1.00 } { 50 cents } for year ending 30.4.1904	6 1/2 % \$15 buyers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	30,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$1,747	\$20 for year ending 30.11.1903	7 % \$280 sellers
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Ltd.	1,250	\$100	\$100	\$30,000	\$1,283	Interim of \$4 for 1904	6 % \$260
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$35,000	\$8,844	\$10 for 1903	6 1/2 % \$155 buyers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$50,000	\$8,395	Final of 70 cts. and 50 cts. bonus making \$1.20 for the year ended 30.9.04	9 1/2 % \$20 sales
Hongkong Steam Waterboat Company, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	\$2,500	\$299	\$13 for 1903	9 1/2 % \$135 buyers
Katz Brothers, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$100	\$375,000	...	Interim of 35	8 1/2 % \$140 buyers
Lane, Crawford & Co., Limited (Shanghai)	2,500	\$100	\$100	none	\$21,582	4th quarterly of Tls. 5, paid 15.12.04 making in all Tls. 35 for 1904	11 1/2 % Tls. 285
Maatschappij tot Mijnen Bosch en Landbouwexploitatie in Langkat	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	{ Tls. 334,666 } { Tls. 1,143 }	Tls. 27,187	\$2 for year ended 31.10.1903	7 1/2 % \$27 buyers
Maynard and Company, Limited	3,400	\$10	\$10	none	\$803	Final of \$3 making \$5 for the year ending 30.6.04	9 % \$55 sales
S. Moutrie & Company, Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$5,000	\$832	None	...
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	1,200	\$50	\$50	None	Dr. \$5,537	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for 1904	8 % Tls. 105 sales
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	16,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 100,000 } { Tls. 108,172 }	Tls. 7,548	Tls. 5 for 1903	5 1/2 % Tls. 90 buyers
Shanghai Horse Bazaar Company, Limited	5,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 45,000	Tls. 10,247	Interim of Tls. 6 for 1904	7 1/2 % Tls. 105
Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited	4,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 10,000	Tls. 3,288	Interim of 15/- for 1904	5 1/2 % Tls. 400 buyers
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	7,200	£20	£20	Tls. 140,000	Tls. 7,359	\$5 for year ended 31.7.1903	6 % \$90
Singapore Dispensary, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$39,020	None	...
South China Morning Post, Limited	5,000	\$5	\$5	...	...	60 cents for year ended 31.5.04	8 1/2 % \$7 sales
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	10,000	\$5	\$5	none	\$3,644	\$7 1/2 for second half year 1903	9 1/2 % \$4 sales
Straits Ice Company, Limited	2,000	\$100	\$100	\$45,000	...	\$1 div. and 25 cents bonus for half-year ended 30.3.1904	7 % \$160 sales
Straits Trading Company, Limited	250,000	\$10	\$10	\$650,000	\$83,403	None	...
Tebrau Planting Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	none	Dr. \$42,551	Tls. 2 for half year	...
Tientsin Native City Waterworks Company, Ltd.	2,041	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 413	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 8 for 1903/4	6 1/2 % Tls. 110
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 15,250	Tls. 667	{ 90 cents } { \$20.75 } for year ended 31.5.1904	6 1/2 % Tls. 130
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,000	\$10	\$10	\$20,000	\$580	\$1 for 1903	10 1/2 % \$91 buyers
Do. (Founders)	100	\$10	\$10	\$4,802	\$1,042	Final of 70 cents making \$1.20 for the year ending 30.6.1904	9 1/2 % \$91 sellers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$3,000	\$588	...	...
William Powell, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$3,000	\$588	...	...